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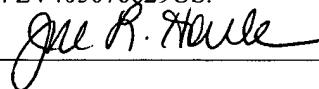
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Sen, Ashish et al.
Serial No. : NA
Filing Date : Herewith
For : Elastic Bicomponent and Biconstituent Fibers, and Methods of
Making Cellulosic Structures from the Same

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8(a) and 1.10

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

This application is a division of USSN 10/195,279, filed July 15, 2002. Prior to substantive examination, Applicant requests the following amendments be made in the application.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of the claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.